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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: The Rumanian Situation as of 1200 EST

1. The political and military situation in Rumania continues to be quiescent. Rumanian officials and diplomats around the world still project a calm outlook. The Rumanian Ambassador to Washington, Corneliu Bogdan, calmly said yesterday that he was aware of rumors, but he had no recent information on an invasion threat or on Soviet-Rumanian talks about maneuvers. [redacted]

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3. Western attachés in Hungary and Bulgaria report no evidence of an alert in these countries or any buildup near the Rumanian borders. [redacted]

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4. Meanwhile, there are indications that the Warsaw Pact

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is gearing up for a Political Consultative Committee meeting. The US Defense Attaché in Bucharest reports that 150 officers who are representatives of the chiefs of staffs of all the Warsaw Pact forces arrived in Bucharest on 22 November, (C) [redacted] This preliminary meeting, which normally precedes a full meeting of the Political Consultative Committee, reportedly will last until 25 November. The full Committee reportedly will meet in December, possibly in Moscow or Warsaw. [redacted]

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